GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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INCREASE IN COMMISSION FOR FPS
Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned higher rate of commission for the Fair Price Shop (FPS) licensees in various States including Kerala; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION(PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) to (b): As provided in the Public Distribution System (Control) Order 2001, State Governments shall issue Order under Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 for regulating the sale and distribution of the essential commodities and also issue licenses to the Fair Price Shop owners.

The Government of India has given flexibility to the State Governments/UT Administrations in the matter of fixing the margin for the Fair Price Shops. This is, however, not to apply to the distribution of foodgrains under Antyodaya Anna Yojana where the end retail price is to be retained at Rs.2/- a kg. for wheat and Rs.3/- a kg for rice.